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RSC Update: The Dept. of Jobs?

From the Chairman

President Obama is on a campaign-style bus tour this week (paid for by your tax dollars), ostensibly to promote his economic plan. So far it's thin on details, but according to one <u>report</u>, the White House may rearrange the deck chairs at a few agencies and rename it the Department of Jobs.

Jobs don't come from government; they come from people who see opportunities, take risks, innovate, and earn success. But for almost three years now, the President has prescribed higher spending, higher taxes on job creators, and more regulation from vast bureaucracies in Washington. The 20 million Americans who want a job but still can't find one don't need a new government agency. They need more opportunities and less interference.

Do we want to create our own opportunities by simplifying the tax code, using more of the American energy resources at our disposal, protecting job creators from stifling red tape, cutting spending, and balancing the budget? Or do we want to sit back and wait for President Obama's Department of Jobs to solve all our problems? To me, the choice is clear.

God Bless,

Congressman Jim Jordan Chairman, Republican Study Committee

RSC Media Activity – RSC members work hard to ensure that the conservative viewpoint is well-represented in all corners of the media. Visit our <u>Media Center</u> for more.

- Rep. Mike Pompeo (KS-04): <u>In Defense of Debt Ceiling 'Extortion'</u>; The Wichita Eagle, August 7.
- Rep. Jeff Landry (LA-03): <u>How House Freshman Blocked Obama's Recess Appointees</u>; The Washington Examiner, August 7.
- Rep. Jeff Miller's (FL-01) <u>Account of Memorial in Afghanistan</u>; The NWF Daily News, August 8.
- Rep. Tom Price (GA-06): <u>The Way to Lock Down Spending</u>; The Atlanta Journal Constitution, August 8.
- Rep. Phil Roe (TN-01): We Must Pass a Balanced Budget Amendment; The Hill, August 10.

• Rep. Pete Olson (TX-22): <u>It's the Spending, Stupid</u>; The Fort Bend/ Sugar Land Sun, August 11

RSC Member Activity – RSC members make it a priority to introduce productive, conservative solutions for America's future.

- Rep. Scott Tipton (CO-03) introduced <u>H.R. 2815</u>, the pro-military *Blue Star Mothers Act*, which updates the congressional charter of the Blue Star Mothers organization, a non-partisan, non-political, veterans service organization founded during WWII that provides services to active members of the United States Armed Forces and veterans, as well as provides support to military families.
- Reps. John Sullivan (OK-01), Allen West (FL-22), & Bill Shuster (PA-09) sent a <u>letter</u> to President Obama requesting that he ask for Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner's immediate resignation.

Outlook – A quick look at what's on the horizon.

• The House has recessed until September 7, though it will hold pro forma sessions throughout the month of August to prevent presidential recess appointments.

RSC Reports

• Each week the House is in session, the RSC Budget and Spending Taskforce compiles a weekly report on the latest budget and spending news. Additionally, the RSC Money Monitor tracks how bills passed by the House affect authorizations, mandatory spending, and federal government revenue.

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